PROJECT OVERSIGHT REPORT

HP3000 Re-Platforming Project
Department of Licensing

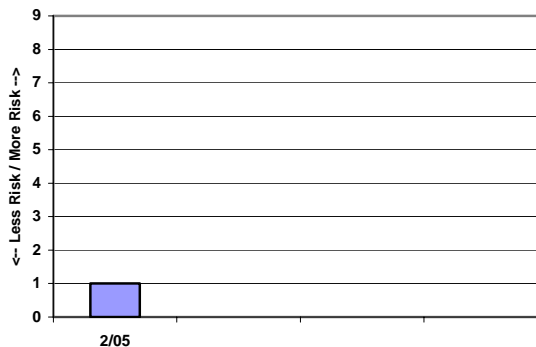**Report as of Date:**
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Severity/Risk Rating: High (Severity high, risk high)   **Oversight:** Level 3 – ISB

Overall Project Risk Assessment

Staff Recommendations: There are no recommendations at this time. This is an initial project report. The project has released a request for proposal (RFP) with responses due February 14, 2005.

Issues/Risks:

Budget: DOL has submitted a budget request for $8.5 million for the 2005-2007 Biennium. The project budget is dependent on legislative action.

Schedule: DOL has set a project start date of April 4, 2005. The RFP schedule leading to a signed contract is very tight and leaves little time for contingencies. For example, only three days (unrealistic estimate) are scheduled for contract negotiations. ISB staff expects the date to be missed. Impact on the overall project schedule is minimal. DOL will negotiate a project schedule with the successful vendor. DOL will start the project using internal resources through June 30, 2005.

External Quality Assurance: DOL is still in the process of acquiring services for external quality assurance.

Status:

Life Cycle Stage: The project has released a request for proposal (RFP). Responses are due February 14, 2005. The HP3000 is a mission critical platform for the DOL Vehicle Field System (VFS). The project came before the ISB for approval as a level 3 project November 2004.

RFP Schedule: The schedule for the HP 3000 replacement is as shown:
Issue RFP	January 14, 2005
Vendor Preproposal Conference	January 21, 2005
Vendor Proposals Due	February 14, 2005
Announcement of Apparently Successful Vendor	March 14, 2005
Complete Contract Negotiations	March 17, 2005
Start Project	April 4, 2005

<u>Project Management:</u> The project has agency executive and ISB Staff oversight. Mark Oestreich was named project manager for the HP3000 Re-Platforming Project. Mark will join the project full time when DOL's Unisys Application Rehosting project is completed. The schedule for the project steering committee is to be determined. ISB Staff will be a member of the project steering committee and will provide oversight and recommendations for compliance with ISB requirements.

Background Information

DOL's VFS is a point-of-sale system that provides vehicle and vessel titling, registration, and permitting services to the public at field offices managed by DOL, county auditors, and subagents at 186 locations. The VFS was developed on the HP3000 platform and went into production in 1988. Since that time the original functionality and number of external interfaces has more than doubled. Transactions processed through the VFS account for $1.26 billion in annual state and local government revenue.

Hewlett-Packard (HP) has announced end-of-life for the HP3000 effective December of 2006. HP will no longer provide hardware maintenance and software support for the operating system or the proprietary programming language (Transact), which the VFS application utilizes. The end-of-life announcement forces DOL to move the VFS applications off of the HP3000 platform. The agency proposes to replace the HP3000 Transact applications with agency-standard Intel based server architecture and Microsoft Windows operating system.